

HOUSE No. 113

By Mr. Walsh of Lynn, petition of Steven M. Walsh relative to establishing early voting prior to elections. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING EARLY VOTING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter 54 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as appearing in
- 2 the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after
- 3 section 86, the following section:—
- 4 Section 86A. Any qualified voter, as defined by Chapter 51
- 5 section 1 of the General Laws, that submits an early voter applica-
- 6 tion shall be allowed to cast a ballot beginning two weeks prior to
- 7 the election at a location designated by the supervisor of elections
- 8 during regular election hours.